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1. Wartime minefields in certain stretches of Polish territorial waters in the Baltic constituted a danger to shipping. Some areas were therefore closed both to merchant shipping and to fishing fleets.
2. During the summers of 1951, 1952, and 1953 the minesweeper flotilla was engaged in sweeping the following areas:
 - a. Wisloujscie
 - b. Gdansk (Danzig) Bay
 - c. Puck Bay
 - d. Kolobrzeg (Kolberg) area
 - e. Ustka (Stolpmuende) area
 - f. Pomorska Bay near Dziwnow (Dievenow)
3. In August 1953 two magnetic mines were exploded off Kolobrzeg. The danger area was marked with buoys which were subsequently removed on Soviet instructions.
4. In Gdansk Bay buoys are used to mark sunken wrecks.

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